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Please find attached our interview agenda.
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Interview Agenda

Neither Ueda nor Bravomalo, individually or in combination, discloses or suggests an image generating system including at least an object determination means which determines parts objects within a predetermined area in the aggregate object as objects to be changed in display form when an impact is applied to the aggregate object thereby simulating breakage of the aggregate object where at least one part object physically separates from the aggregate object as recited in independent claim 1, and similarly recited in independent claim 9.

The Office Action admits that Ueda does not disclose simulating breakage of the aggregate object where at least one part object physically separates from the aggregate object. However, the Office Action asserts that Bravomalo discloses this feature in Figs. 4-7. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

On the contrary, Bravomalo instead discloses a visual fitness planner that combines image morphing technology, exercise programming, supplemental sales, and motivational techniques into one product. (See Abstract of Bravomalo.)

In fact, Bravomalo discloses in Fig. 4-7 and at col. 7, line 66 through col. 8, line 22 that a locating grid is used to identify each body part as shown in Fig. 4. As shown in Fig. 5, a grid is overlaid on each body segment image, which is useful in finding the edges of an image of the body part and in applying a percentage reduction to the image. However, nowhere does Bravomalo disclose or even suggest that a body segment is physically separated from the main body. Accordingly, Bravomalo does not disclose or suggest the above-noted features of the claimed invention.